

Bennett, Aubrey

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66 Beaver St.

July 5/12

Secretary

Amer. Numismatic Socy

N.Y. City

Dear Sir, I have
an American half eagle dated
1795. Can you kindly inform
me if this is the first Amer-
goed Coinage and how many
of these coins of that date
were minted and if it is
known how many are now
in existence? Thanking
you for any information

Very truly yours
Aubrey Bennett

July 19th, 1912.

Mr. Aubrey Bennett,
66 Beaver Street,
New York.

Dear Sir:-

Absence from the City for several weeks is the cause of the delay in replying to your letter of July fifth.

1795 is the first year of the coinage of gold coins at the United States Mint. There were 2705 ten dollar pieces and 8707 five dollar pieces coined. There were two varieties of the five dollar piece. The earlier variety have on the reverse an eagle resting on a branch of laurel. The second variety bearing the so-called heraldic eagle on the reverse. There is no way of knowing how many of these pieces are in existence at the present time.

Very truly yours,

Director.

NEW YORK CLUB
20 WEST 40TH STREET

July 21st 1912

Dear Sir, Please accept
thanks for your letter
of the 19th inst. relative
to American half eagles
of 1795

Very truly yours

Frederick Bennett

To

B. Belden Esq Director
The Amer. Numismatic Socy